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SUBJECT: AWARD OF THE ARMED FORCES RESERVE MEDAL WITH "M" DEVICE FOR CURRENT CALL-UP OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM

A. MEMORANDUM, OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (MANPOWER AND RESERVE AFFAIRS), SUBJ: AWARD OF THE ARMED FORCES RESERVE MEDAL WITH "M" DEVICE FOR CURRENT CALL-UP OPERATION NOBLE EAGLE AND OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, DATED 21 DEC 01.

B. MILPER MESSAGE 96-196, DTG 231630Z AUG 96, SUBJ: AWARD OF THE FORCES RESERVE MEDAL AND MOBILIZATION ("M") DEVICE.

1. REF. ALPHA AUTHORIZED AWARD OF THE ARMED FORCES RESERVE MEDAL (AFRM) WITH "M" DEVICE FOR CONTINGENCY OPERATION NOBLE EAGLE AND OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM. IT ALSO AUTHORIZES AWARD OF THE AFRM WITH "M" DEVICE FOR ALL DESIGNATED CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS TO INCLUDE OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

2. ELIGIBLE RESERVE COMPONENT MEMBERS WHO ARE MOBILIZED FOR OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM MAY BE AWARDED THE AFRM WITH BRONZE "M" DEVICE. TO QUALIFY FOR THE "M" DEVICE, MEMBERS MUST HAVE PERFORMED ACTIVE DUTY SERVICE IN SUPPORT OF A CALL-UP OR A DESIGNATED CONTINGENCY OPERATION ON OR AFTER 11 SEP 01.

3. ANY RESERVE COMPONENT MEMBER WHO IS INVOLUNTARILY CALLED TO ACTIVE DUTY FOR OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM IS ELIGIBLE FOR THIS AWARD. VOLUNTEERS ARE ALSO ELIGIBLE FOR AWARD OF THIS MEDAL WITH "M" DEVICE. TO PRECLUDE CONFUSION AND ENSURE ELIGIBILITY FOR THE MEDAL IS PROPERLY DOCUMENTED, VOLUNTARY ORDERS SHOULD CITE THAT DUTY IS IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM.

4. ALTHOUGH OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM IS THE MOST RECENT OPERATIONS IN WHICH RESERVE COMPONENT MEMBERS CAN BE AWARDED THE AFRM WITH "M" DEVICE, THOSE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONS MAY BE AWARDED THIS MEDAL: OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM/NOBLE EAGLE; OPERATION ALLIED FORCE (KOSOVO CALL-UP); OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD/STORM (PERSIAN GULF WAR); OPERATION RESTORE HOPE (SOMALIA); OPERATION UPHOLD DEMOCRACY (HAITI); OPERATIONS JOINT ENDEAVOR/GUARD/FORCE (BOSNIA); AND OPERATION DESERT FOX (PERSIAN GULF). SERVICE IN OPERATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE DESIGNATED AS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS AS DEFINED IN TITLE 10, USC, SECTION 101(A) (13), DO NOT QUALIFY FOR AWARD OF THE AFRM WITH "M" DEVICE.

5. GENERAL GUIDANCE CONCERNING WEAR OF THE AFRM WITH "M" DEVICE IS PROVIDED IN REF BRAVO. YOU CAN ALSO GO INTO THIS EMAIL ADDRESS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE AFRM WITH "M" DEVICE,  
[HTTPS://WWW.PERSCOMONLINE.ARMY.MIL/TAGD/AWARDS/30-HTML](https://www.perscomonline.army.mil/tagd/awards/30-htm).

6. REQUEST WIDEST DISSEMINATION OF THIS MESSAGE.